

## Water Transfers

Through development of an effective water transfer market, CALFED aims to stretch existing water supplies by promoting transfers from willing sellers to buyers while protecting other water users, local economies and the environment.

### Goals:

- Develop a more effective water transfer market.
- Protect water rights, the environment, and local economic interests.
- Streamline the approval process of state and federal agencies for water transfers.

### Accomplishments:

- Developed a Drought Contingency Plan, and made available over 300,000 acre-feet this year to areas suffering from water shortages.
- Developed “On Tap” web site, an on-line water market information resource for water transfers.
- Convened a stakeholder panel to recommend ways to streamline the transfer process.
- Initiated technical review of “carriage water” requirements governing the transfer of water through the Bay-Delta.
- Working to define transferable water and carriage water requirements.

### Public and Peer Review:

- Monitor web site with Water Transfer Information Clearinghouse.
- Review by CALFED agencies and State Water Resources Control Board Water Transfer Work Group.

### Performance and Tracking

Performance measures may include: number of proposed water transfers; ratio between water transfers proposed and approved; volume of water being transferred; reduced time needed to approve proposed transfers; and total regional water supply.